

Department of Environmental Quality

To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.



Todd Parfitt, Director

CERTIFIED MAIL

February 25, 2015

Mr. Mike Cross Windsor Energy Group 14313 N. May Avenue Oklahoma City, OK 73134

RE: Notice of Violation, Docket Number 5515-14

Dear Mr. Cross:

Enclosed is a copy of Notice of Violation, Docket Number 5515-14, for the unauthorized discharge of coal bed methane (CBM) produced water into waters of the state by Windsor Energy Group, LLC (Windsor). On October 23, 2014 the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Quality Division (WQD) received information from Windsor of two unauthorized releases from full containment reservoirs under WYPDES permit WY0044067. The "Anaheim" and "Jalapeno" reservoirs are permitted as full containment reservoirs and not authorized to discharge. These unauthorized releases are a violation of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act (Act) and the Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations (WWQRR).

While neither the attached Notice of Violation nor this letter constitutes an order, it is the recommendation of this office that you take action to eliminate the alleged violation as follows:

- 1. Windsor should ensure that CBM produced water is only discharged to waters of the state through permitted discharge points in accordance with WWQRR.
- Windsor should inform the WQD of the steps taken to prevent this type 2. of an unauthorized discharge from occurring again in the future. This information should be received by the WQD within 21 days of the date of this letter.



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The WQD has the authority to resolve violations with an out-of-court settlement agreement through the payment of a penalty by Windsor. If Windsor wishes to pursue resolution of the previously noted violation through such an agreement, please contact Mr. Kevin M. Wells, WYPDES Natural Resource Program Supervisor at (307) 777-8669, within 21 days of the date of this letter to discuss resolution to this matter.

Todd Parfitt

Director

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Kevin Frederick

Administrator

Water Quality Division

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Enclosure:

Notice of Violation

cc:

Kacy Sable, 8ENF-W-NP, EPA Region 8 (PDF)

James B. Eisenhauer, WYPDES Inspection Coordinator, Sheridan DEQ Office (PDF)

Bill DiRienzo ► Kevin M. Wells (PDF)

IPS (for scanning) ▶ Docket 5515-14

Landon Brown, DEQ Administration (PDF File Only)

Connie Osborne, DEQ Administration (Hard copy)